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TAGS: ETRD, ESTR, CH, US

SUBJECT: EXCON: AMPEX EXPORT OF VIDEO TAPE RECORDERS

REF: PEKING 1141 (NOTAL)

1. AMPEX REPRESENTATIVE MCGILlicuddy HAS INFORMED US THAT PRC HAS SIGNED CONTRACT FOR FOUR ADDITIONAL AVR-2 VIDEOTAPE RECORDERS IN RECORD TIME. MCGILlicuddy SAID THAT CHINESE WERE OBVIOUSLY VERY ANXIOUS TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL RECORDER HEADS QUICKLY SINCE THEY WERE DOWN TO THEIR LAST SPARE. THEY WERE SO ANXIOUS TO SIGN, HE SAID, THAT THEY AGREED TO INCLUDE A STATEMENT IN THEIR END-USE LETTER TO AMPEX THAT THEY DESIRED TO HAVE MCGILlicuddy RETURN "WITHIN SIX MONTHS" TO VISIT THE SITE TO ASCERTAIN IF ANY ADDITIONAL PARTS WERE REQUIRED. MCGILlicuddy BELIEVES THAT THIS CLAUSE WAS SPECIFICALLY INTENDED TO MEET US END-USE REQUIREMENTS, ALTHOUGH CHINESE NEGOTIATIONS HAVE CAREFULLY AVOIDED SAYING SO.

2. MCGILlicuddy SAYS THAT CHINESE TELEVISION NETWORK IS EXPANDING, AND THAT CHINESE HOPE TO
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BE ABLE TO RECORD IN LOCATIONS OTHER THAN PEKING,

SHANGHAI AND TIENTSIN, EVENTUALLY IN 25-30
LOCATIONS. AMPEX HOPES EVENTUALLY TO BE ABLE TO SUPPLY
ALL OF THESE. THE PRC ALSO HAS DISCUSSED A CONVER-
TER TO CHANGE US-STANDARD TV SIGNALS TO ENABLE US
PHOTOS TO BE USED ON CHINESE PAL-STANDARD EQUIPMENT.
HE SAID THAT THE CHINESE ARE ALREADY TAPING JAPANESE
TV BROADCASTS VIA SATELLITE (MCGILLICUDDY BELIEVES
FOR COMPILING NEWS SHORTS FOR HIGH PRC OFFICIALS),
AND THE CONVERTER WOULD ENABLE THEM TO RECEIVE
BROADCASTS FROM THE US AND TAIWAN.
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